

**DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE**  
**100 North Senate Avenue, Room 1058N**  
**Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-2256**

Notice is hereby given the fiscal officers and taxpayers of all taxing units located in Howard County, Indiana, that prior to the review of the budgets, tax rates and levies for the year 2012 payable 2013, the Department of Local Government Finance, by its representatives, will conduct a public hearing on said matter, to be held in Room 338 of the Government Administration Center (Key Bank Building), Kokomo, IN on the date and time as follows:

**January 23, 2013 at 1:30 PM**

KOKOMO-CENTER TOWNSHIP CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL CORPORATION  
E ASTERN HOWARD COUNTY COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION  
TAYLOR SCHOOL CORPORATION  
NORTHWESTERN SCHOOL CORPORATION  
WESTERN COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION  
CENTER TOWNSHIP  
CLAY TOWNSHIP  
ERVIN TOWNSHIP  
HARRISON TOWNSHIP  
HONEY CREEK TOWNSHIP  
HOWARD TOWNSHIP  
JACKSON TOWNSHIP  
LIBERTY TOWNSHIP  
MONROE TOWNSHIP  
TAYLOR TOWNSHIP  
UNION TOWNSHIP  
GREENTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY  
KOKOMO-HOWARD COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY  
HOWARD COUNTY UNIT  
KOKOMO CIVIL CITY  
GREENTOWN CIVIL TOWN  
RUSSIAVILLE CIVIL TOWN  
HOWARD COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT

Assessed values will be available for review in the County Auditor's Office at least seven (7) days prior to the date of the Department budget hearing. Taxpayers shall have the right to be heard and/or to present written testimony on the budgets, tax rates and tax levies as adopted by the above named taxing units.

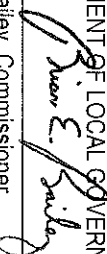
**The following only apply if the County Board of Tax Adjustment or County Auditor modifies the budgets, tax rates, or tax levies of a political subdivision:**

Ten (10) or more taxpayers or one (1) taxpayer that owns property that represents at least ten percent (10%) of the taxable assessed valuation in the political subdivision may initiate an appeal from the modification of a political subdivision's budget, tax rate, or tax levy by filing a statement of their objections with the County Auditor. The statement must be filed not later than ten (10) days after the publication of the notice required by IC 6-1.1-17-12. The statement must specifically identify the provisions of the budget, tax rate, or tax levy to which the taxpayers object. The County Auditor shall forward the statement, along with the taxing unit's budget, to the Department. IC 6-1.1-17-13.

A political subdivision may appeal to the Department for an increase in its tax rate or tax levy as modified by the county board of tax adjustment or the county auditor. To initiate the appeal, the political subdivision shall file a statement with the Department not later than ten (10) days after publication of the notice required by IC 6-1.1-17-12. The legislative body of the political subdivision must authorize the filing of the statement by adopting a resolution. The resolution must be attached to the statement of objections, and the statement must be signed by:

- (1) in the case of counties, by the board of county commissioners and by the president of the county council.
- (2) in the case of all other political subdivisions, by the highest executive officer and by the presiding officer of the legislative body. IC 6-1.1-17-15.

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Brian E. Bailey, Commissioner